United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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Matt Kosanovich Franklin County EITC Coalition 360 South Third Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Mr. Kosanovich:

It is my pleasure to support the Franklin County EITC Coalition in its efforts to secure funding though the Internal Revenue Service's 2010 Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Grant program.

Over the last three years, the Franklin County Earned Income Tax Credit Coalition VITA Program has provided much-need free tax preparation services to hard-working individuals and families in six counties in central Ohio.

Providing free income tax preparation to low-and-moderate income individuals and families is critical to helping vulnerable populations achieve financial stability.

Since its inception three years ago, the Franklin County EITC Coalition has grown from 12 to 18 sites. Volunteers have processed 8,987 returns, bringing \$9.8 million into the hands of low-to-moderate income individuals and families.

Please contact me again if I can assist you in this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

Sherrod Brown United States Senator

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